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Fukuoka discloses that one or more polymers of the formulas encompassing applicants C1 and C2 may be combined and therefore there is sufficient reason to combine them.

The issues with regard to Peffley are similar. It is immaterial that applicants may have combined C2 with C1 to increase bond strength since it is not necessary that a proposed modification of a reference teaching be for the same reason as for of an applicants. An invention which is obvious for one reason is obvious for all.

Applicants have not been clear as to why the ABAD tetra block copolymer and ABA triblock copolymer of Kengly do not meet the limitation of the claims. If applicants are implying that their C2 component does not encompass tetrablock copolymers, this is untrue since "P(B2)-P(A2)-P(B2)" in the claims is prefaced with the phrase "at least the unit" and the phrase "at least the unit" is empty verbiage if additional units such as additional blocks are excluded.

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